APPENDIX K

ACRONYMS/ABBREVIATIONS

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AB Data type header for Tropical Weather Outlook

ADWS Automatic Digital Weather Switch

AFB Air Force Base

AFOS Automation of Field Operations and Services

AFRC Air Force Reserve Command

AFSATCOM Air Force Satellite Communications System

AFWA Air Force Weather Agency
AIM Airman's Information Manual

AMOS Automated Meteorological Observing Station

AMSU Advanced Microwave Sounding Unit AOC Aircraft Operations Center (NOAA) APT Automatic Picture Transmission

ARGOS Argos, Inc., a French data collection system

ARSA Airport Radar Service Area
ARTCC Air Route Traffic Control Center

ARWO Aerial Reconnaissance Weather Officer

APUP Associated Principal User Processor (WSR-88D)

ASDL Aircraft-to-Satellite Data Link

ATC Air Traffic Control

ATCSCC Air Traffic Control System Command Center AVHRR Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer AWDS Automated Weather Distribution System

AWIPS Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System

AWN Automated Weather Network

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CARCAH Chief, Aerial Reconnaissance Coordination, All Hurricanes

CARF Central Altitude Reservation Function

C.I. Current Intensity

C-MAN Coastal-Marine Automated Network

COM Commercial (telephone)
CONUS Continental United States

CPHC Central Pacific Hurricane Center

°C degree/degrees Celsius

-D-

DA Daylight Ascending

DCS Data Collection System degree (latitude or longitude)

Det detachment

DMSP Defense Meteorological Satellite Program

DOC Department of Commerce
DOD Department of Defense
DOT Department of Transportation

DPTD departed

DROP dropsonde/dropwindsonde

DSN Defense Switched Network (formerly AUTOVON)

DTG date/time group

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EDT Eastern Daylight Time
ESA European Space Agency
ETA Estimated Time of Arrival
ETD Estimated Time of Departure

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FAA Federal Aviation Administration

FACSFAC Fleet Aerial Control and Surveillance Facility

FCM Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and Supporting

Research

FCMSSR Federal Committee for Meteorological Services and Supporting

Research

FCST forecast
FCSTR forecaster
FL flight level
FLT LVL flight level

FMH Federal Meteorological Handbook

FNMOC Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center (USN)

ft foot/feet

FTS Federal Telephone System

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GAC Global Area Coverage

GOES Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite
GMDSS Global Maritime Distress and Safety System
GMS Geostationary Meteorological Satellite
GTS Global Telecommunications System

HA High Accuracy
HD High Density

HDOB High Density Observation

HF High Frequency

hPa hectopascal/hectopascals

h hour/hours

HLS Hurricane Local Statement

HNL Honolulu (CPHC)

HPC Hydrometeorological Prediction Center (NCEP)

HRD Hurricane Research Division (NOAA/OAR/ERL/AOML)

HRPT High Resolution Picture Transmission

-I-

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

ICMSSR Interdepartmental Committee for Meteorological Services and

Supporting Research

ID identification

IFR Instrument Flight Rules

INIT initials IR Infrared

IWRS Improved Weather Reconnaissance System

-J-

JTWC Joint Typhoon Warning Center

-K-

km kilometer/kilometers

KBIX ICAO identifier for Keesler AFB, MS

KMIA ICAO identifier for Miami, FL

KMKC ICAO identifier for Kansas City, MO WSFO KNEW ICAO identifier for New Orleans, LA WSFO

KNHC ICAO identifier for the Tropical Prediction Center/National

Hurricane Center, Miami, FL

KSFO ICAO identifier for San Francisco, CA

kt knot/knots

KWAL ICAO identifier for Wallops Island, VA

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LAC Local Area Coverage

LF Light Fine (satellite data terminology)

LI Long Island

LS Light Smooth (satellite data terminology)

-M-

m meter/meters

MANOP communications header

MAX maximum

METEOSAT European Space Agency geostationary meteorological satellite

min/MIN minute

MINOB Minute Observation

MOU Memorandum of Understanding MPC Marine Prediction Center (NCEP)

mph mile/miles per hour

MVMT movement

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NAPUP Non-associated Principal User Processor (WSR-88D)

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NAVLANTMETOCCEN
NAVLANTMETOCDET
NAVLANTMETOCFAC
NAVLANTMETOCFAC
NAVMETOCCOM
Naval Atlantic Meteorology and Oceanography Detachment
Naval Atlantic Meteorology and Oceanography Facility
Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command

NAVOCEANO Naval Oceanographic Office

NAVPACMETOCCEN
Naval Pacific Meteorology and Oceanography Center
NAVTRAMETOCFAC
NCEP
Naval Training Meteorology and Oceanography Facility
National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NOAA/NWS)

NCO NCEP Central Operations NDBC National Data Buoy Center

NESDIS National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service

NFDC National Flight Data notice to airman Center

NHC National Hurricane Center

NHOP National Hurricane Operations Plan

NLT Not Later Than nautical miles

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOM National Operations Manager (FAA)

NSC NOAA Science Center

NSTL National Space Technology Laboratories (NASA)

NWS National Weather Service

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OAC Oceanic Aircraft Coordinator (USN)

OB observation

OFCM Office of the Federal Coordinator for Meteorological Services and

Supporting Research

OSDPD Office of Satellite Data Processing and Distribution (NESDIS)

OSF Operational Support Facility (WSR-88D)
OSS Operations Support Squadron (USAF)

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PA Public Affairs

PANC ICAO identifier for Anchorage, AK
PCN Position Confidence Number
PHFO ICAO identifier for Honolulu, HI

POD Plan of the Day

POES Polar Orbiting Environmental Satellite
PRF pulse repetition frequency (WSR-88D)

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RECCO Reconnaissance Code

RECON reconnaissance REQT requested

RPS routine product set (WSR-88D)

RSMC Regional/Specialized Meteorological Center (WMO)

-S-

SAB Satellite Analysis Branch

SFC surface

SFDF Satellite Field Distribution Facility

SLP Sea Level Pressure

SSM/I Special Sensor Microwave Imager (DMSP)
SSM/T Special Sensor Microwave Temperature Sounder

SST Sea Surface Temperature

SPC Storm Prediction Center (NCEP)
SVD Supplementary Vortex Data

-T-

TAFB Tropical Analysis Forecast Branch (TPC)

TCD Tropical Cyclone Discussion
TCPOD Tropical Cyclone Plan of the Day

TD Tropical Depression

TEMP temperature

TEMP temporary

TEMP DROP Dropwindsonde Code

TF Thermal Fine takeoff

TMO Traffic Management Officer in air route centers and towers

T-number Tropical classification number

TOVS TIROS-N Operational Vertical Sounder

TPC Tropical Prediction Center

TS Thermal Smooth

TWO Tropical Weather Outlook

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UCP unit control position (WSR-88D)

UHF Ultra High Frequency

US/U.S. United States

USAF United States Air Force
USCG United States Coast Guard

USN United States Navy

UTC Universal Coordinated Time

-V-

VAS VISSR Atmospheric Sounder

VCP volume coverage pattern (WSR-88D)

VDM Vortex Data Message

VDUC VAS Data Utilization Center

VIS Visible

VISSR Visible and Infrared Spin Scan Radiometer
VMI velocity measurement increment (WSR-88D)
VTPR Vertical Temperature Profile Radiometer

-W-

WEFAX Weather Facsimile WESTPAC Western Pacific

WMO World Meteorological Organization

WND wind

WO Data type header for special tropical disturbance statements

WRS Weather Reconnaissance Squadron

WS Weather Squadron

WSD Wind Speed and Direction (data buoy)
WSFO Weather Service Forecast Office

WSR-88D Weather Surveillance Radar-1988 Doppler WT Data type header for hurricane bulletins

WW Data type header for subtropical storm bulletins

XMTD transmitted -Z-

Z Zulu (UTC)